SCREENING SCHEDULE FOR BLOOD LEADS

This table represents a summary of the requirements of the Texas Health Steps program for lead screening and testing. This schedule also applies to children in the Title V program.

Age of child	May use primary parent questionnaire*	May use abbreviated parent questionnaire*	Blood lead test required	Conditions
6 months	YES			
12 months			YES	
18 months	YES			
24 months			YES	
3, 4, 5, and 6 years	YES	YES		If child has no record of a blood lead screen, child must have an actual blood lead test.

IMPORTANT: A "yes" or "I don't know" answer to any question on the Primary Parent Questionnaire indicates that a blood lead test should be administered. A "yes" or "I don't know" answer to any question on the Abbreviated Parent Questionnaire indicates that either the Primary Parent Questionnaire should be administered or a blood lead test should be done. *If the provider chooses not to use the questionnaires, a blood lead test must be done at each of the ages mentioned in the chart above.